

THE HARVEST

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TRADE THE CC FOR THE HARRISON HOUSE

As you may have heard, Faculty Administration is desperately seeking new space for the on-going expansion of Macdonald College, without erecting any new buildings. This includes the expansion of the library, computer centre, new classrooms, office space and laboratories.

When the original Macdonald-Stewart Complex was built in 1978/79, it was designed for a capacity of approximately 650 students. With a current population of over 1000 undergraduates enrolled this semester, it is clear that Macdonald College has reached the design limits of the original buildings.

Therefore the Administration has informally proposed to the students of Macdonald College, through the students council, to trade the use of the Harrison House on the part of the students in exchange for the use of the

Centennial Centre on the part of Faculty. The basis of the exchange would be a five year lease, and still be used to hold student functions such as the Woodsmen Bash or Oktoberfest.

Yet the Ceilidh would be closed and in its place a bar would be opened in the basement of Harrison House for MAC only.

Cafeteria services would continue to be offered in the CC, however all Student Society and club offices and meeting rooms would be moved over to Harrison House.

One possible advantage of the exchange would be some sort of bargaining consideration for the \$90,000 debt that students of Macdonald College owe to McGill University. McGill was kind enough to provide an interest-free loan to Students Society to pull us out of a \$121,859 debt, which was realised in 1983/84.

Yes, last year the Ceilidh

alone was able to generate a \$25,000 profit, thanks to greatly improved inventory control and serious management thinking, both of which previously were poor and thus were the cause of financial loss in the first place. Thus four successful years of Ceilidh operation could wipe the debt off the table anyways, regardless of any financial considerations on the part of McGill, if the Ceilidh were continued to be kept open for JAC students on Friday nights.

When the CC was originally endowed to ALL Macdonald College students, there was a student population of approximately 3500. As it was last year when the Cafe Macadam was still open, the building in its entirety was not sufficiently utilized, and the entire CC has been called a "White Elephant". Yet who would argue that the Cafe

Macadam was not used enough?

Nobody knows how much or how efficiently the CC will be used this year, since the closure of the Cafe Macadam.

Or how much the student population will continue to grow, as it has in the past seven years, since no study on student needs or future space expectations has been undertaken. Will a renovated Harrison House really be sufficient to meet the MAC needs?

Yet it does not take a study to recognize the Faculty need for more space. Would the current closed Cafe Macadam space be enough for the proposed Faculty needs? Or does Faculty really need the entire building?

IT IS UP TO ALL OF US TO DECIDE...

The World Food Day

by H.J. Garino
Dept. of Animal Science

On October 16 we shall be commemorating the 30th Anniversary of the founding of the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization. The world has adopted this date as World Food Day (WFD) as a sensitizing vehicle in the campaign to eliminate world hunger.

This year it will be the

5th annual observance of WFD at Mac. A joint staff-student committee has been meeting regularly preparing all sorts of activities for this event.

WFD has an annual theme and this year it is Youth and Food. In the planning for this year we have displays dealing with food and agriculture issues which will be housed in the Macdonald Stewart Foyer. Conferences, films, and campaigns, to

gather food for the needy in Montreal and Mexico and to collect money for development projects in Africa will also round up an interesting slate of activities.

Macdonald is part of the National and Provincial organizations on WFD and as such has contributed some interesting articles on Youth Nutrition to be distributed across Canada as part of a WFD information kit. (One of

these articles is reprinted on page 6).



Meet the average canadian university student

Ottawa (CUP) -- Cindy and Terrence live away from home. They each own a television, a ten speed bike, a 35 mm camera and probably a credit card. They go out for fast food twice a week and eat a lot of pasta and peanut butter when they cook at home. They consider themselves quite sophisticated.

Cindy and Terrence are average students, according to Campus Facts of 1985, a market survey of buying habits, lifestyles and attitudes of students from 57 post-secondary institutions across Canada. Campus Plus, a national advertising co-operative owned and run by Canadian University Press, sponsored the survey.

Anne Waring, executive director of Campus Plus, said the university and college market is important to advertisers because students are beginning to choose "brand loyalties" -- Lee or Levis, Coke or Pepsi, sponsored the survey.

The more than 400,000 students represented by the survey have a total annual income of \$2.399 billion.

The survey shows the average student spends about \$500 a year on clothes. While only 28 per cent consider it important to keep up with new fashions and styles, many more think dressing smartly is an important part of their life.

Forty-six per cent of students shop around a lot to find bargains, while 29 per cent often buy on impulse. Almost all students like to try new and different things, but few enjoy being extravagant and fewer still think advertising presents a true picture of products of well-known companies.

Eighty per cent of those

dinners: 50 per cent did not buy lottery tickets. Thirty-six per cent did buy a lottery ticket once a month and six per cent think it is fairly likely they will buy a personal computer in the next 12 months.

Many students travel long distances each year. Forty per cent took more than one plane flight a year to a place other than their parent's home.

Also, students said they would rather go on an adventurous trip than a peaceful one.

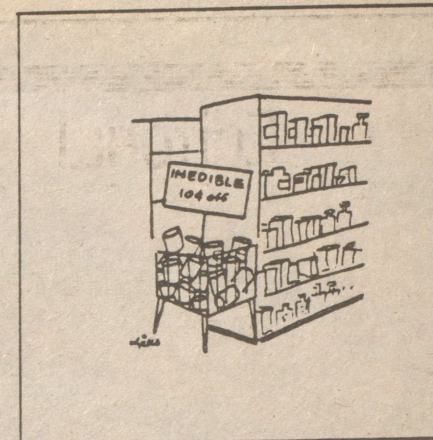
Beer and liquor companies like students as 60 per cent drink beer and alcohol weekly, and 34 per cent drink imported wine at least once a month. As for lifestyle, only nine per cent would rather than spend a quiet evening at home than go out to a party.

Students watch half as much television (an average of ten hours per week) as non-students of the same age.

Seventy per cent of the students surveyed read the daily newspaper and 63 per cent read their campus newspaper.

Smokers are open to advertisers' persuasion because 65 per cent of them have smoked their brand for less than two years.

Many students do not claim to be confused about their future. Eighty per cent knew what field they wanted to get into and 40 per cent knew which company they wanted to join. Seventy-five per cent of those surveyed think it's important for women to have a career outside the home.



Herbs

Did you Know...

... that the famed Couch Grass (*Agropyron repens* Beau), so troublesome to farmers and in homeowners gardens is very important as a medicinal herb. It is used as a tisane in Europe, was formerly included in cattle feed and is also one of the plants sick dogs eat in order to vomit.

... that the common garlic (*Allium sativum* L.) was given to Roman soldiers as well as the slaves who were constructing the pyramid of Cheops in order to sustain their strength. Garlic contains vitamins A, B1, B2 and C, some antibacterial substances and is also a weak

fungicide. It is used for the treatment of hypertension, can be some protection against the common cold, amoeboid dysentery and typhoid...

... that the name Amaranth (*Amaranthus hypochondriacus* L.) is derived from the greek amaranton, 'not fading'; the leaves do not fade with the death of the plant, and the plant so came to symbolize immortality...

(Information taken from: The Encyclopedia of Herbs and Herbalism, ed. by Malcolm Stuart, 1979)

Rebecca Lee

Early course evaluation: How can it help you

At the end of each semester, a Faculty-wide course evaluation is administered by a joint staff and student committee, known as the Committee on Instructional Development, in order for students in all courses to give both positive and negative criticism. The comments are typed to keep anonymity with respect to student handwriting. With the results of the computer questionnaire, the information is presented to department chairmen and the individual staff member involved so that the results are used to improve the instruction for the next time the course is offered.

Many students would also like to see an Early-Term Course Evaluation before the end of the course. An evaluation procedure is being discussed by the Committee on Instructional Development, which will aid in the identification of areas of

course and instruction which require improvement early enough in the term to benefit students taking those courses. Equal staff-student representation on the committee ensures that student members of the AUS, FSUS and PGSS will have a say on how the procedure would run if the committee decides to have an Early Term Course Evaluation.

Last year, Early-Term Course Evaluations were carried out with poor results, since the student body as a whole did not taken enough time or interest to participate in the evaluation procedure.

As soon as a decision is made by the committee on whether to run an Early-Term course evaluation, and if so in what form, announcements will be made. If the process is to work, student participation and involvement is vital...

Richard Eckerlin
AUS President

staffbox

Pauline Kaye
Benoit Legault
Francis Caron
Typist:

Sharon Terada



Editorial

LE "HARVEST" SE MEURT ET ALORS

Le journal étudiant de la faculté se meurt encore, et alors, qui s'en préoccupe? Quel proportion de la population étudiante se soucie de la santé et des problèmes de leur journal? Très peu. Depuis plusieurs années, "The Harvest" fait parti des moeurs et des décors du collège. Malheureusement on s'habitue à ces choses, on en vient même à y perdre tout intérêt. Comme on se désintéresse de tout ce qui est médiocre.

Oui. Avouons donc que notre journal est médiocre, sous certains standards. Mais vu sous un autre angle, il en tient presque du miracle que le journal est été publié sept fois l'an passé. A chaque année le journal doit survivre avec des problèmes chroniques. Tel qu'un personnel de production très restreint (qui d'ailleurs ne sont jamais les mêmes durant l'année scolaire), le peu d'intérêt de la population du collège en général, un manque de soutien journalistique et de faire face à des préjugés sur le contenu et la direction idéologique des articles.

De plus notre journal est une organisation étudiante très exigeante à financer. Cette feuille de choux, c'est nous tous qui la payons. Alors pourquoi, accepter cette "médiocrité"? Pourquoi ne pas le faire tout simplement disparaître et se résigner à oublier plus de quinze ans de traditionalisme.

Personnellement, j'estime que nous avons besoins d'un tel organe de communication. C'est un outil essentiel d'information, de distraction et il laisse place à la libre opinion et aux débats sur certain point qui touche notre quotidien étudiant. Advenant la disparition du journal beaucoup de nos aînés, nous reprocheraient la perte de cette institution qu'est le journal.

Je conçois que nous sommes une petite faculté, qu'il est utopique de penser rivaliser avec le "McGill Daily", et cela n'a jamais été et ne sera jamais un objectif. Mais de produire un modeste journal avec nos moyens de boord est réalisable. Modestie ne signifie pas médiocrité. La qualité du journal gagnerait beaucoup à être améliorée afin d'atteindre certain standard universitaire.

A mon avis, une des solutions au problème du journal, serait l'instauration d'une certaine structure interne au journal. C'est à dire la création d'un noyau restreint mais régulier d'étudiants qui assumerait et se partagerait les responsabilités de produire le journal.

Alors nos collègues fraîchement débarqués à "Mac", nos bras fatigués vous tendent nos "plumes" et "Latraset" usés afin que vous portiez plus haut nos inspirations créatrices d'étudiant. J'en conviens, produire le journal est un travail exigeant et qui demande beaucoup de temps et d'énergie. Mais vous pouvez en retirer un énorme bénéfice.

L'esprit d'organisation, de coopération et de création qu'exige la production d'un journal s'accorde très bien avec notre processus d'apprentissage universitaire.

La formation de ce noyau est essentiel. Si d'ici un mois il n'est pas formé, il se peut que cette parution soit la dernière de cette vénérable institution qu'a déjà été "The Harvest".

P.S. 4 postes sont à combler au "Harvest". (l'équipe du journal au complet)

Pour ceux et celles intéressés, adressez-vous au conseil étudiant: 1 éditeur, 1 publiciste, 1 directeur de la production, 1 trésorier

Benoit Legault
Francis Caron

AID FOR MEXICO

We are sure you all have heard about the two tremendous earthquakes which occurred in Mexico City and other places of Mexico, on Sept 19th and 20th of this year. The catastrophe resulted in more than 3500 dead, 4000 people missing and some thousands homeless. Moreover, it is now the rainy season there; to make matters worse winter is coming soon, along with the danger of disease epidemics.

This year, as it has been the tradition, the International Student's Association is having another International Evening with lots of attractions on Nov 14th. As in the past, it will be an enjoyable evening and all profits go towards the "damnificados" of the Mexican earthquake. Private

contributions before that date are more than welcome. We will accept monetary donations payable to Red Cross, as well as first aid equipment, in sealed containers where applicable. All donations will be sent to Mexico through the Quebec Red Cross. If you have anything to give, please contact Mrs. Brown at the CC desk or call any of these numbers:

457-5465; 457-6280; 457-9412; 457-9414.

We would also like to extend an invitation to all the clubs on campus to join us in our campaign. Please give generously. For ISA

Rebecca Lee
José Ismael Jaspé



THE A.R.C. IS BORN

The Active Recycling Committee (A.R.C.) is off to a good start. A handful of students have got together to organise the collection of paper for recycling.

The method of collection is via the cardboard barrels lined with jute sacs, that can be seen around campus. The ARC members empty these barrels and store the sacks until a sufficient amount exists for pick up. The recycling company involved is Arthur Recyclage de Papier Inc.

The purpose of this activity is twofold. Firstly, by collecting the paper and having it recycled for another use, fewer trees are chopped down. It has been estimated that

for every tonne of paper recycled, seventeen trees are saved. The production of paper products using paper inputs, causes less air and water pollution than the same production using trees as inputs.

The second reason is economical. By collecting and recycling the paper (which would otherwise be discarded as garbage) money can be earned. It is really a matter of the most ecological and economical placing of our resources. "Waste" paper is a resource.

Pauline Kaye
A.R.C. Coordinator

MAC NEWS

THE TRUE STORY OF THE MACADAM

When you returned this semester after a long summer break, the Café Macadam was closed. Why, you ask? Hopefully, this letter will answer some questions.

Back in February it was brought to the attention of the Students' Council, and in particular the Centennial Centre Committee, that the operation of the Café Macadam was breaking fire regulations. The two long hallways leading from the Macadam to the exits caused the people in the Macadam to be in danger, due to a serious fire hazard, if those people were smoking or drinking alcohol.

Every attempt was made to try to keep the Macadam open in the basement of the CC. We all wanted to have the Café in this location but after discussion with authorities at McGill downtown, including the McGill fire marshall, it became evident that the only solution would be twofold:-

1. Install a direct exit from the Macadam to the outside - approximate cost \$15,000;
2. Clean out the Macadam of all flammable material (effectively sterilizing the atmosphere) at a cost of \$10,000.

This total cost of \$25,000 is staggering. If the Business Operations had the money then the feasibility could be considered. Since the Macadam had a net profit of approximately \$2,000 per year, this alone shows it to be a questionable investment, and the Business Operations does not have that kind of money to invest - with very little to expect in return. (Don't forget the \$90,000 debt we have to McGill on top of this).

In July, at a joint meeting of the Students'

Council and Centennial Centre Committee, the official decision was made to close the Café Macadam downstairs. Why was this done in July? We could have waited until September but then we would have only been that much further behind. Decisions had to be taken, and plans made so that the Ceilidh could be opened daily in September. The final decision would have been the same whether it was made in July or September.

We are now in the process of putting wheels on the pool table so that it can be moved in and out of "le Café" (out -so that the JAC mob do not demolish it on Friday nights). However, we need your help with ideas. Muffins and donuts are available and sandwiches will soon be able to be purchased in "le Café". Decoration is the remaining problem. Is anybody interested? René Boivin and Martha Robinson are working on this and if anyone has suggestions, please write them down and leave at the CC Desk. At the last meeting for ideas, despite being well publicized, nobody showed up.

The Centennial Centre Committee is very concerned about the Mac community and what is needed. We can ask questions, and do, but you must come to us and give us your comments and ideas. If you leave us a suggestion, we will get back to you.

It is impossible for us to do everything FOR YOU, but we can do it WITH YOU!

Awaiting your comments.

Sincerely,

Peter Enright,
V.P. Business Operations.
Macdonald College
Students' Society.

A CONGRESS AT MAC

Hello. I just got back from Chicoutimi, where this month's meeting of the RAEU (Regroupement des Associations Etudiantes Universitaires du Québec) was held. The new executive was elected and my feeling is that we have very dynamic team this year...

Among the very many topics discussed, that of the Congress was hotly debated. The objectives of the Congress, are to familiarize as many students as possible about RAEU; to get them to participate more in the decision-making of student policies on a "national" basis; to reach those students interested in national problems, but who do not want to devote all their free time to it. For those directly involved in RAEU it would also be an excellent source of new ideas.

Though a final decision as to whether or not we should hold

a Congress is yet to be made, some of the logistics of it have already been discussed. It will be held here at Macdonald College at the beginning of November: in other words, before the coming provincial elections, to ensure that the student voice is heard. As for participants, the suggestion has been twenty students from small universities (such as Macdonald College) and forty from the larger ones (U. of Montreal, Laval, etc.). It will of course be very well covered by media.

If you would like more information about the congress of RAEU or you would like to participate in the Congress, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Rebecca Lee
External VP

AUS

Do you realize that \$1.00 of your tuition fees goes through the AGRICULTURAL UNDERGRADUATE SOCIETY (AUS), which makes you a member? Did you know that this money is available back to you through professional, academic and social activities such as sponsorship of Career Day, Early Course Evaluation, Oktoberfest and others? And that this money is also available to help clubs organize activities of interest to other AUS members, such as co-sponsorship of Macdonald Royal Livestock Show organized by the livestock club, co-sponsorship of the graduating class final dinner - dance organized by the U3 graduating class, etc?

Did you know that the AUS is working in conjunction with the new Association of Future Agronomes (AFA) to build an information centre related to the Agricultural Profession and Business? Are you aware that AUS members are YOUR VOICE on most of

the various faculty committees? We will continue to support the student body on important issues concerning academics and academic policy. Announcements: Oktoberfest- October 10th, CC Ballroom - Get your tickets in advance at the AUS/FSUS office in the CC. This event is co-sponsored by the AUS and starts at 8:30 p.m. AUS office hours: The AUS/FSUS/AFA office is open Mon-Thurs from 9-4. Come in to discuss matters of academic or professional interests. Career Day: Congratulations to Sue Smith and Ann Delmas for doing such a great job in organizing career day. Early Course Evaluation: Student participation is important if evaluation takes place this year. Your comments will make a difference.

Richard Eckerlin
AUS president

MAC SPORTS

THE COACH'S CORNER

"It ain't over, 'til it's over" - Yogi Berra

I think that good old Yogi summed it up better than anyone could when he spoke these immortal words; anything can happen in sports and teams that seem to be coasting to victory may end up scrambling to prevent a defeat if the other team is stubborn enough.

I was taught that lesson this summer, when I played softball for the (of all names.) Pierrefonds Pig Manures. We rolled over the opposition in the first couple of games but still ended up losing the final series 4 games to 1 against Longueil.

But, anyway, it's good to be back reporting on Mac Sports. I would like to welcome all the new students to this column by saying that its main concern is with intramural and interclass leagues. Of course, any development in Instructionals or recreationals will also be reported on. This year, I'm also planning on having weekly reports which will contain the following: Game of the Week, stars of the week and probably an editorial. These will be posted on bulletin boards around the campus. And that's not all; the Athletics

department is also thinking about the possibility of producing a Mouthpiece-like publication, once every other week, to give even better Mac sports coverage.

Up to now, only 2 open league sports have started their schedules: softball and soccer. Since only a couple of games have been played, I will wait before reporting an actual scores. The team names go as follows: Softball: Hogwils, Sharks, Wormos, Bucwers, Fifty (a Dip team, of course), and Staff. Soccer: Strikers, Pied de Ballon, Club Sandwich, Nova, Iran, Staff and Dip United.

So, we already have good student participation. If you have a team and want to register for other sports such as hockey, basketball, etc... you should do so as soon as possible. Check the bulletin boards for the exact closing date for registration in your sport.

Well it's time to go now but I'll be back next week with a special report. See you there..

Francois Blain

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IT BECAME OBVIOUS TO EVERYONE AT THE BONFIRE THAT PAUL WASN'T FAMILIAR WITH MARSHMALLOW ROAST TECHNIQUES, AS HE BEGAN TO CHOKER ON THE COAT HANGER.

:S.M.T.

GRAPHIC IMPRINT

TO PARTY AND NOT TO PARTY

The Food Science Undergraduate Society (FSUS) would like to welcome all new and returning students and staff into the new academic year. As you all remember, we made our official welcome and "hello" at our wine and cheese party. We hope it was enjoyed by all and we certainly had a good time putting it on for you. Some of our other activities include pizza in the Ceilidh, and our OKTOBERFEST

get-together...party...celebration...BASH... Depending on the publication date of this article you are either looking very forward to this adventure or remembering one of the great parties of the Mac year.

On a more academic note, we are pleased that Ms. Diana Smith, executive director of the Home Economics Association, will be speaking to the students of this campus on November 14th 1985. She is a dynamic speaker who promises to be very informative and of great interest to students (hope to see you all there). Other hopeful speakers include nutritionist Patrice Macdonald from Tufts University and dietitians from the Montreal

area.

For all you slaves of fashion the FSUS will be coming out with a new line of sweat wear this January. Yes, you too can now be a part of the fashionable world of Macdonald College students. Good-bye overalls, HELLO sweatshirts.

In the new year we hope to be able to arrange a trip to Agriculture Canada in Ottawa, so we can all be made more aware of the workings of this department. And what would a trip to Ottawa be without a stop at the famous old Spaghetti Factory.

Then there's Carnival Week. We have top secret plans for a Carnival party extraordinaire. (Rumored to be wilder than Oktoberfest). For those of you who want more information on these and other activities drop by our office in the CC building (to the left of the CC desk). Well, the Ceilidh closes in an hour and we don't want to miss out on the fun.

See ya around,

Betsy
Tom
Sylvie
Josee



NUTRITION-PARASITE INTERACTION IN CHILDREN

The majority of children in most developing countries suffer from undernutrition and malnutrition at some time in the first five years of life. Malnutrition and disease combine to pose an enormous hazard to the health of the majority of the world's population who live in poverty.

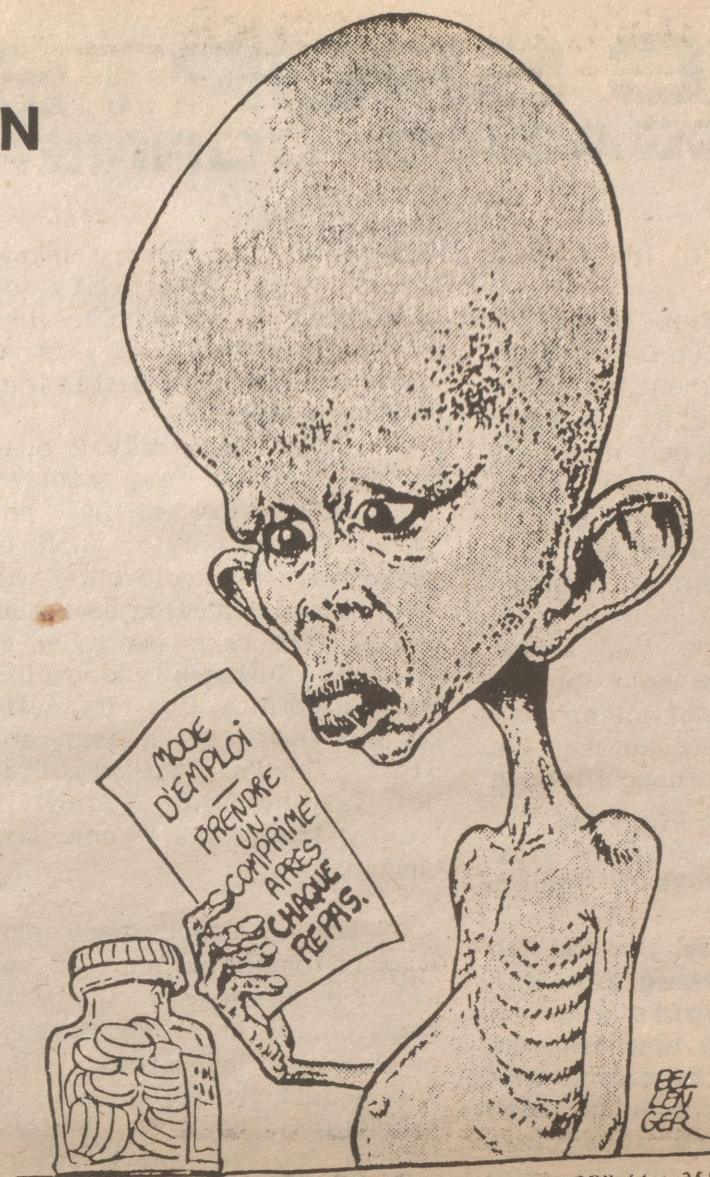
In addition, the undernourished are most susceptible to infestations by parasites. The most common disturbances occurring in the gastrointestinal tract during parasitic infestations are abdominal pain, diarrhea, fever, malaise, nausea and vomiting. Because of their high prevalence and chronic nature, parasitic diseases are considered to be a major public health problem in almost every sector of the globe where malnutrition occurs.

Roundworm burden infestations such as *Ascaris lumbricoides*, a common and widespread human intestinal parasite, has been estimated to

infest one quarter of the world's people, especially children of preschool age. These children are likely to suffer from protein-energy malnutrition, gastroenteritis, respiratory infections, malaria and a variety of other nutritinal-nfectious parasitic diseases. The malnourished child, overwhelmed by infestations is also prone to mental retardation. Intestinal ascaris may directly affect the nutritional status of a child, basically by causing either competition for nutrient uptake, impaired absorption or a functional increase in the body's nutrient requirements, because more food has to be consumed to compensate for that lot due to poor absorption and the needs of the parasite.

Among other parasites associated with nutrient deficiencies, there are:

- The hookworm which induces considerable loss of blood causing iron deficiency anemia in the host.



BELLENGER (Art. 25)

"DIRECTIONS: Take one tablet after

EACH MEAL"

- The fish tapeworm (*Diphilobothrium latum*) with its avidity for vitamin B12, deprives its host of this vitamin, leading to megaloblastic anemia.

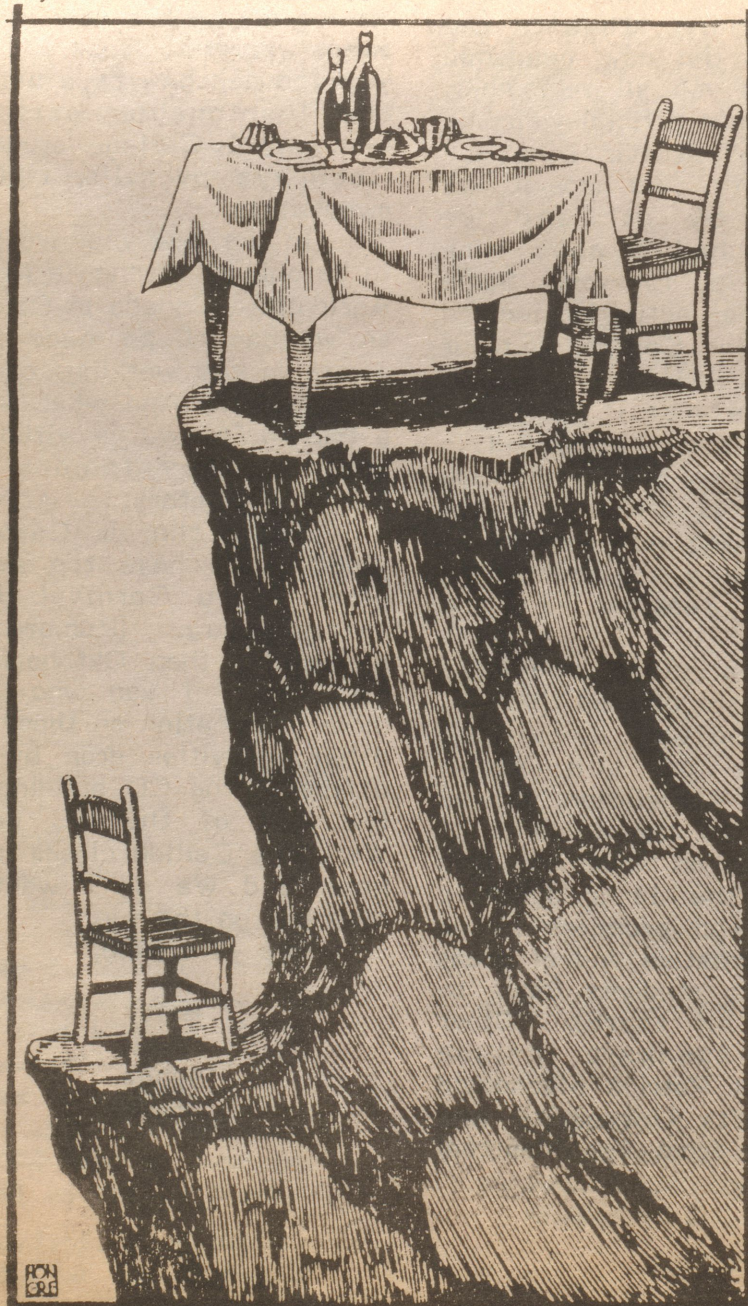
- The beef tapeworm (*Taenia saginata*) and the pork tapeworm (*Taenia solium*), often seen in Canada are transmitted by fecal-oral route, usually in the form of mature eggs in segments of the worm. Those are eaten by cattle in sewage-polluted pastures or by hogs in polluted garbage. If humans eat the infested meat, raw or rare, the adult tapeworm matures in their intestines and continues

its reproductive cycle. It is thus important to assure sanitary techniques in hog and cattle feeding.

Children heavily infested with parasites are likely to benefit from deworming treatments to assure improved nutrient absorption, better nutritional status and normal growth.

Because of its epidemic proportion, it is a concern for all to eradicate parasitic infestations of children.

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HONORE (Art. 22)

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Education: Can students write!

MONTREAL (CUP) - Many of the honoured and respected products of the Canadian education system do not know how to write, according to the results of writing proficiency tests at two Canadian universities.

All students entering Bishop's university in Lennoxville, Quebec must pass an exam testing their ability to write before they graduate. They are asked to write a short essay on a given topic. They are not graded on their knowledge of the subject, but on their grammar, spelling, vocabulary and ability to coherently and logically develop an argument.

One quarter of the first year students failed the exam this year.

A similar test at

Concordia University in Montreal had even worse results. Students entering the university after 1983 had to pass the exam before they left. Sixty-six per cent of the students who wrote the first test in November 1983 did not pass.

Harry Hill, a Concordia english professor and head of the committee which planned the Concordia tests has no qualms about blaming the education system for such a failure rate.

"It's not their fault, one bit, but we can't give our diplomas to students who can't write...it's the education system," he said.

The pass rate has improved, he said. Last year, only 48 per cent failed. This downward trend is similar to other universities which have

instituted the writing proficiency tests, he said.

"It could be due to the fact that students were panicking in their last years...maybe the students can write better in their third year than in their first and second," he said.

Only 59 students wrote the exam the first time it was offered at Concordia. The majority of this year's potential graduates have put it off until this year. Although students can write the exam as many times as it takes to pass, there are only three sittings each year.

Marks from the exams do not appear on students' transcripts.

Mexico

Canadians...

We appeal to your generosity. As you are aware Mexico has been devastated by major earthquakes, where thousands not only lost their loved ones, but were left homeless and without numerous basic needs.

Due to this horrid tragedy we call for your help to give generously to the "Red cross fund for the Mexican relief operation" remembering that for every dollar you give, the government of Quebec will contribute an equal amount.

Donations may be given to the: Order of Red Cross Mexican Relief Operation at your bank, Metro Richelieu Stores or directly to the Red Cross, 2170 Dorchester Blvd, Montreal, Que. H3H 1R6

Thank you for your kind contributions.

Mexican Relief Committee
Mexican Assoc. of Canada

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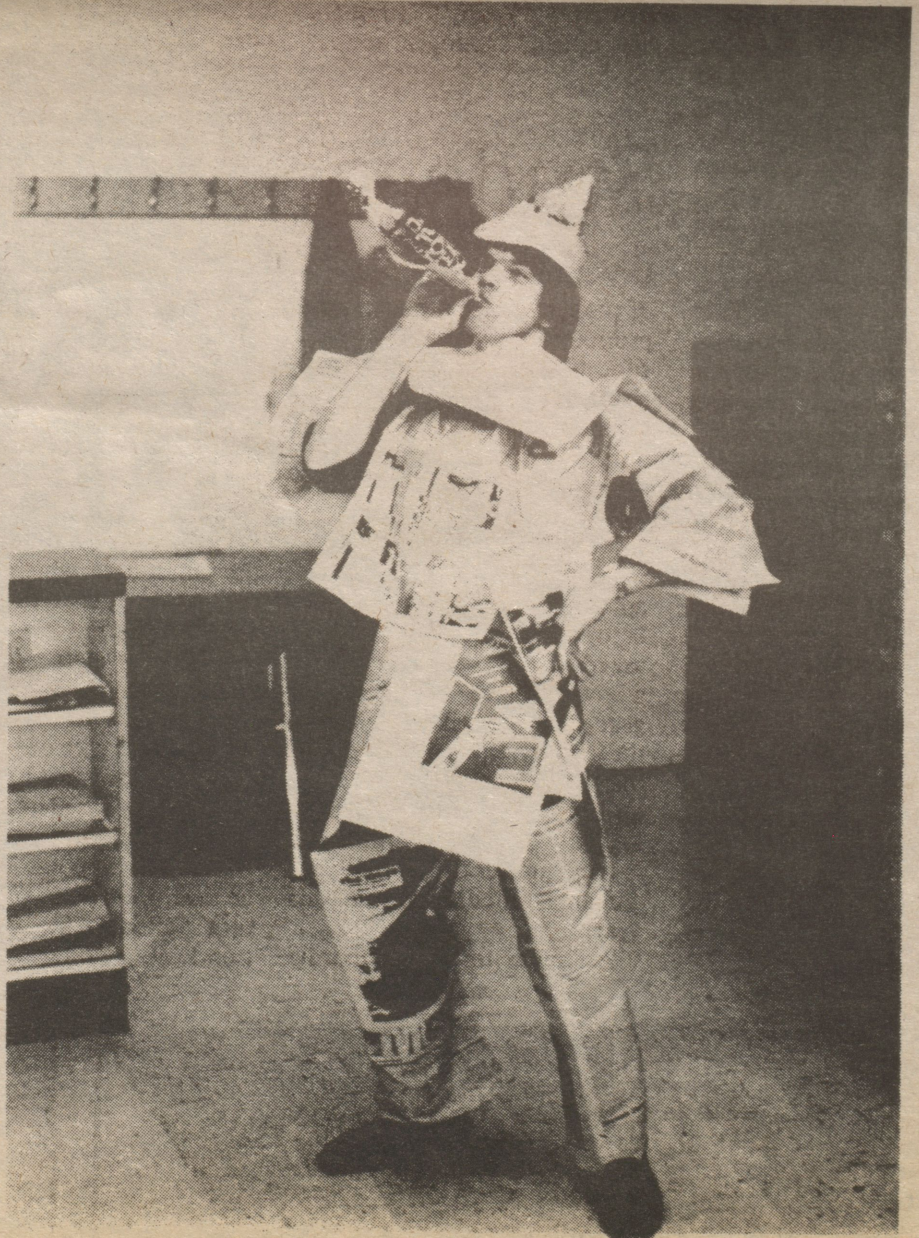
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NATIONAL STUDENT ASSOCIATION

Founded in 1979, the Federation of university student association

(FUSA, or RAEU - its French acronym) was originally an isolated caucus of universities Student Societies inside the Association nationale des étudiants du Québec (ANEQ).

Since Aneq regroups mostly CEGEP level Student societies, the University SSs were drowned and misrepresented in ANEQ. Their specific problems did not receive adequate consideration and so this led to the creation of a separate national student organisation, wholly dedicated to the defence and promotion of University level student's rights and interests. And so the RAEU - FUSA was born.

RAEU's member SSs share a specific philosophy of the student movement. For us, Student Societies must not only react "combatively" when student interests are endangered but must also promote them. This means that on a given problem - say financial aid - RAEU will not only denounce the program as inadequate, which it is, but will also propose reforms and concrete alternatives that will upgrade the program. Moreover RAEU believes that it is important to maintain communication channels open between ourselves and our main interlocutors.

Ours is a proven approach. For example, in the fall of 1981, the Minister of Education called for a discussion to try and solve the various problems universities and university students were encountering. RAEU was there and we successfully argued and obtained a freeze on tuition fees so that Quebec students still pay the least tuition in all of Canada, where the average is around \$1000. The same problem of increasing tuition fees reappeared last year, and RAEU put pressure on the government to keep student fees frozen.

Another telling example is the question of student rights. RAEU held a conference to establish a Charter of Student Rights (February 1981) which later led to the presentation of a memoir to the government. We asked them to recognize the existence and financing of Student Societies by way of a special bill. After three

forums on the subject, RAEU succeeded in having the National Assembly adopt Bill 32, the law guaranteeing the recognition and financing of Student societies.

In the same vein, RAEU is working on many different dossiers pertaining to all aspects of student life: financial aid (including a project on a post-obligatory educational tax), universities financial plan, pedagogical reforms, pedagogical application of micro-computers, and so on.

RAEU is what Student Societies want. So it will reflect interests of Mac's students as your Student Council will be involved in. This year is a special one, regarding the political context.

We invite you to continue to work together in RAEU to obtain what we collectively want.

Nathalie Lapointe
secrétaire à l'information



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Area code	Number called	Date called
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Name _____

Address _____ Apt. _____

City _____ Prov. _____

Postal code _____ Telephone No. _____
(Where you can be reached)

College or Univ. attending _____

I have read the contest rules and agree to abide by them.

Signature _____

Rules and Regulations: 1. To enter, print your name, address and telephone number on an official Telecom Canada entry form or on an 8 cm x 12 cm (3" x 5") piece of paper, as well as the telephone numbers (including area codes) and dates of three (3) Long Distance calls* completed between August 16, 1985 and February 12, 1986. Each group of three (3) Long Distance calls may be entered only once OR, provide a handwritten description, in not less than 25 words, explaining why you would like to make a Long Distance call. Only original hand written copies will be accepted and those mechanically reproduced will be disqualified.

2. Enter as often as you can, but each entry must be mailed in a separate envelope, bear sufficient postage, and be postmarked no later than February 26, 1986, the contest closing date. The sponsors do not assume any responsibility for lost, delayed or misdirected entries. Only entries received prior to the draw dates will be eligible for contest participation.

3. There will be a total of four (4) prizes awarded nationally (see Rule #4 for prize distribution). Each prize will consist of a 1986 Pontiac Fiero Sport Coupe with all standard equipment plus the following options: AM/FM Stereo Radio and aluminum cast wheels. Approximate retail value of each prize is \$13,000.00. Local delivery, federal and provincial taxes as applicable, are included as part of the prize at no cost to the winner. Vehicle insurance, registration, license, and any applicable income tax, will be the responsibility of each winner. Each vehicle will be delivered to the GM Pontiac dealer nearest the winner's residence in Canada. The prize will be awarded to the person whose name appears on the entry, limit of one prize per person. All prizes must be accepted as awarded, with no cash substitutions. Prizes will be awarded to each winner by Telecom Canada. Prizes awarded may not be exactly as illustrated.

4. Random selections will be made from all eligible entries submitted, at approximately 2:00 PM E.S.T. November 27, 1985 and March 12, 1986 in Toronto, Ontario, by the independent contest organization. Prizes will be awarded as follows: Two (2) Fiero Sport Coupes will be awarded from all entries postmarked no later than midnight, November 13, 1985, and two (2) Fiero Sport Coupes will be awarded from all entries postmarked no later than midnight, February 26, 1986. Eligible entries other than the two winners of the November 27 draw will automatically be entered in the final draw March 12, 1986. Chances of being selected are dependent upon the total number of entries received as of each draw. Selected entrants, in order to win, must qualify according to the rules and will be required to correctly answer unaided, a time-limited, arithmetic, skill-testing question during a pre-arranged telephone interview. All decisions of the contest organization are final. By accepting a prize, winners agree to the use of their name, address and photograph for resulting publicity in connection with this contest. Winners will also be required to sign an affidavit certifying their compliance with the contest rules. To receive a list of winners, send a postage-paid, self-addressed envelope within three (3) months of the final contest close date, February 26, 1986 to: Student Contest Winners, Telecom Canada, 410 Laurier Avenue W., Room 960, Box 2410, Station 'D', Ottawa, Ontario, K1P 6H5.

5. This contest is open only to students who have reached the age of majority in the province in which they reside and who are registered full-time at any accredited Canadian University, College or Post-Secondary Institution, except employees and members of their immediate families (mother, father, sisters, brothers, spouse and children) of Telecom Canada, its member companies and their affiliates, their advertising and promotional agencies and the independent contest organization. No correspondence will be entered into except with selected entrants.

6. Quebec Residents: Any dispute or claim by Quebec residents relating to the conduct of this contest and the awarding of prizes may be submitted to the Régie des loteries et courses du Québec. This contest is subject to all Federal, Provincial and Municipal laws.

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